

Ten Stories of Mafia Murders

Terrible Unpunished Crimes of a Merciless Organization.

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No. 4—The Murder of Marquis Notarbartolo.

THE Marquis Notarbartolo was a Sicilian nobleman. He was a Senator, the Mayor of Palermo and Governor of the Bank of Sicily. It was this last named office that led to his murder.

Raffaele Palizzolo was a member of the Italian Parliament, political boss of Palermo and reputed ruler of the Mafia. It was claimed, discovered that grave thefts had been committed by Palizzolo in connection with the Bank of Sicily. He forced Palizzolo to make partial restitution, and then placed the case in the hands of the Government.

As he was on the way to his home in Palermo, Feb. 1, 1893, to procure for the authorities new evidence in the case, Notarbartolo was set upon in the railroad carriage by assassins.

He was stabbed sixteen times. Then his body was hurled out onto the

tracks. There it was found. His watch, jeweled scarf and money had been left untouched. Nothing but a wallet full of private papers had been stolen.

His son, young Lieut. Notarbartolo, at once suspected that the murder had been the work of Palizzolo or some of the latter's emissaries. So did the press of Northern Italy. But so powerful was the Mafia that all attempts by the authorities to fix the crime were balked.

The Lieutenant strove in vain to avenge his father. Every time he seemed on the point of bringing the rusty wheels of the law into motion he was sent by his official superiors on odd missions to distant cities.

Again and again he seemed on the point of accomplishing something in his quest, only to have his labor turned to naught by some mysterious power in the government.

At last, in despair, the Lieutenant left

the army. Then he brought evidence quickly enough to the notice of the authorities, only to be laughed at by them. He even said he found it difficult to go under guard to avoid the Mafia's knife, and told how his house was often broken into and his papers ransacked and stolen.

For nearly eight years he strove in vain to bring his father's slayers to justice. Palizzolo's influence was too strong for him.

Then, little by little, other and more powerful persons than the Lieutenant were persuaded to take up the case. The newspapers in Northern Italy, where the Mafia is not so powerful as in Sicily, demanded justice. Palizzolo and two alleged accomplices were indicted. The case came to trial early in 1902. For seven months the trial dragged on, blocked and hampered by every ruse the Mafia could summon up. No South Italian judge and jury could be trusted to try so great a case. The Mafia sentiment in the south was too strong. So the trial occurred at Bologna.

To the surprise of most people Palizzolo and his two fellow prisoners were finally declared guilty and sentenced to thirty years' imprisonment. This was regarded as a miraculous triumph for justice against its powerful old foe, the Mafia. And the better element throughout Italy rejoiced.

But the rejoicing was a trifle premature. Palizzolo's shrewd lawyers demanded and obtained for him a new trial, alleging some technical flaw in the first hearing.

And, by that time, the Mafia had re-

covered from its shock and was prepared to fight with all its wonted diabolical cunning.

Many persons who at the first trial had been the most important witnesses for the prosecution had now vanished. Those who were not dead had been bought, scared, "persuaded" or otherwise silenced. The case for the Government fell through. Palizzolo was acquitted and received an ovation on his return to Palermo.

He was also suspected of the murder of a rich Sicilian named Miceli, who had been shot to death from an ambush a few months before the assassination of Notarbartolo. But this crime could not be brought home to him any more surely than could the other murder. The Mafia had defied Italian law—and had won.

Palizzolo came to New York in June, 1908. Several conjectures were made as to the cause of his visit. Local newspapers seriously reported his statement that he had come to America to find a publisher for a book he had written, and because he felt he had a mission to warn New York Italians to be more law-abiding and to become better citizens.

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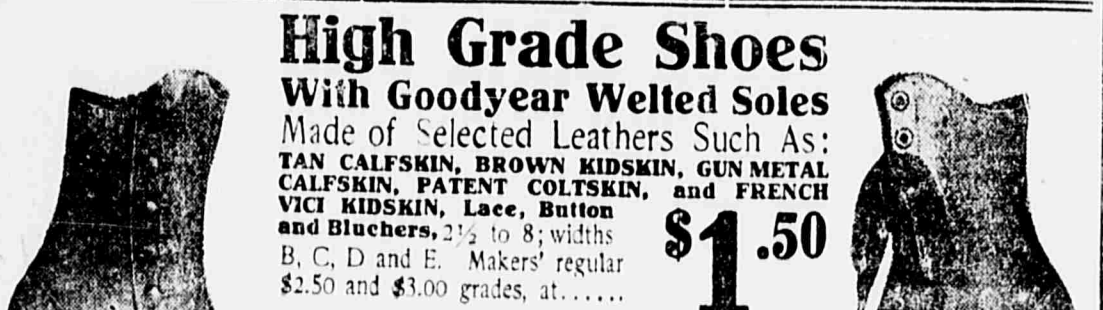
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